RECREATION DEPARTMENT MEETING: 4-27-2010

ATTENDING: Mark, Louise, Jim Lewis, Steve, Jim Martin, Justin and Ann

GUESTS: Merle, Patrice and Ed Kerr

The meeting was called to order at 6:35.

Ed Kerr was introduced. He is thinking of joining the department.

The previous minutes were approved.

Louise gave a brief update on the Recreation Guide. Jim will work on ideas to get sponsors for advertisements to be included in the Guide. It was agreed that everyone who contacts us can be included in the guide but if we can find sponsors they can pay for an ad. We are striving to get this completed and to the printer by mid June. Jim suggested that we put the printing out to bid.

Money is coming in for Camp Scholarships after Louise put an ad in the Concord Monitor and the Bow Times. Swimming Lesson registration is slow.

Sportscard Wrap Up: The event was successful and we received good feedback from the Vendors. Wally was a hit. The silent auction brought in \$160.00 which will go towards camp scholarships. We should sell raffle tickets to the September Red Sox game at our events. Everyone agreed that we should do another show but try to find the right month so we can have a Sports Player.

Skate Park vandalism issues: The skate park is hard to monitor and recently has had some vandalism. Justin to speak to the Chief to see if we can get them to stop by the park more often. We will put together a subcommittee to work on this issue.

Movie in the Park: The Wizard of Oz will be the first movie shown in June. A trial run has been set up to test the new movie screen.

The Gardening Class had 17 people attend.

The Fourth of July celebration will again be held outside of the Senior Center. We agreed to keep doing the raffle baskets and the Silent Auction. We should try to get sponsors for the main events. Jim L contacted the Sean Weldon of the fire dept and discussed changing the time of the parade. The fire dept will discuss this at their next meeting. Justin and Louise will be in contact with Sean Weldon at the fire department to finalize any plans. We will continue with the rootbeer chugging, the pie eating and the bubble blowing contests.

June 26th is the Book Fair, Kimball Pond opens and the first Movie in the Park.

A Community Breakfast will be held on Friday April 30th from 7-10. The cost will be \$4.00. The Fun Fair will be held on 5/15 at the Harold Martin School. The committee will have an informational table and a craft table.

Red Sox Update: They won. The game went well but one person got lost after the game. Give Justin any ideas you have on how to do it better next time to help folks find their way back to the bus. The next game is in September.

The Gazebo Entertainers have been booked and flyers are up for the June event.

Merle spoke about getting the grassy area of the gazebo leveled.

The New England Air Show: Mark has contacted Mr. Welltrout to try and get some tickets to the event at Pease Air Force on August 28th and 29th.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 25th at 6:30.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36.